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1. SOME 1500 TO 2000 SHOP STEWARDS AND LOCAL UNION OFFICIALS FROM 26 AFFILIATES OF TURK-IS (CONFEDERATION OF TURKISH TRADE UNIONS) HELD SELF-STYLED "LABOR ASSEMBLY" IN ISTANBUL ON APRIL 24. ALTHOUGH MEETING WAS INTENDED AS REGIONAL AFFAIR FOR TRADE UNIONISTS IN ISTANBUL AND NEARBY INDUSTRIAL CENTERS, PRESIDENTS OF FOUR NATIONAL UNIONS PARTICIPATED (AIRLINES UNION, SEAFARERS, GLASS AND RUBBER WORKERS). CHAIRMAN AND PRINCIPAL SPOKESMAN WAS TURAN TAYALI, REGIONAL OFFICER FOR YOL-IS (HIGHWAY WORKERS' UNION). HE CALLED FOR UNITED SUPPORT OF THE REPUBLICAN PEOPLES' PARTY (RPP) AND CRITICIZED TURK-IS LEADERSHIP FOR SHOWING WEAKNESSES IN FAILING TO ENDORSE THE RPP ON NATIONAL LEVEL. MESSAGE FROM RPP PRESIDENT ECEVIT WAS GREETED WITH THUNDEROUS APPLAUSE.

2. IN WAKE OF THIS MEETING AND STALEMATE AT TURK-IS
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APRIL 21-22 MEETINGS, DISK (TURKISH REVOLUTIONARY/REFORMIST TRADE UNIONS) ISSUED PUBLIC STATEMENT INVITING TURK-IS MEMBERS TO SUPPORT THE RPP IN GENERAL ELECTIONS AND TO PARTICIPATE IN DISK ORGANIZED MAY 1 RALLY. SECRETARY GENERAL OF DISK MEHMET KARACA CITED THAT WHILE DISK IS GROWING STRONGER BECAUSE IT SUPPORTS POPULIST DEVELOPMENT (CLASS STRUGGLE), TURK-IS IS IN A STATE OF COLLAPSE

BECAUSE IT FAVORS RECONCILIATION OF THE CLASSES. HE
CRITICIZED THOSE TURK-IS LEADERS WHO SUPPORT JP FOR ABANDONING
THE WORKERS' INTEREST, AND HE ACCUSED TURK-IS OF
BETRAYING THE WORKERS BY EMPLOYING AMERICAN SPY
ORGANIZATION EXPERTS (OBVIOUS REFERENCE TO
AMERICAN-ASIAN FREE LABOR INSTITUTE).
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